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SUBJECT: QATARI OIL MINISTER HINTS AT POSSIBLE EXTRAORDINARY
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1. MARCH 24 EDITION OF QATARI DAILY "AL ARAB" CARRIED REUTERS
INTERVIEW WITH QATARI MINISTER OF FINANCE AND PETROLEUM AND
CURRENT OPEC PRESIDENT SHAYKH ABDUL AZIZ BIN KHALIFA AL THANI,
DURING WHICH ABDUL AZIZ STATED THAT HE WAS AWAITING "A TELEX"
WHICH HE INDICATED COULD TRIGGER EXTRAORDINARY OPEC MEETING
TO END TWO-TIER PRICE SYSTEM. REST OF INTERVIEW WAS REITERATION

OF WHAT ABDUL AZIZ HAS BEEN SAYING ABOUT OPEC SITUATION FOR PAST SEVERAL MONTHS.

2. COMMENT: IT APPEARS THAT ABDUL AZIZ'S TELEX MAY BE SIMILAR TO GENERAL HALFTRACK'S MESSAGE FROM THE PENTAGON. HE HAS USED HIS CURRENT POSITON AS OPEC PRESIDENT TO SPOUT TO THE PRESS ON EVERY POSSIBLE OCCASION, AND WE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS HAS IRRITATED THE SAUDIS AS WELL AS THE AMIR, HIS FATHER. IN ANY CASE, ABDUL AZIZ'S HINT THAT EXTRAORDINARY OPEC MEETING MAY STILL BE IN OFFING SEEMS TO CONTRADICT INFORMATION ATTRIBUTED TO HIM IN REFTEL THAT ELEVEN HAD TURNED DOWN SAUDI-PROPOSED OPEC MEETING IN MAY.
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